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SAYS REDS ARE GATHERING IN MANY MEMBERS

MEASURES ARE BEING RUSHED THROUGH LEGISLATURE FOR RELIEF OF SOLDIERS

6,000 ARE IDLE IN PORTLAND

Would Have Highway Commission Start Work at Once to Employ 1,000 Men

Salem, Ore., Jan. 16.—As a result of a conference between Portland delegates, headed by Mayor Baker, with a joint ways and means committee of the legislature last night, two measures were introduced today for the immediate relief of the discharged soldiers.

One of these measures would instruct the highway commission to immediately begin enough units of road work to employ 1,000 soldiers. The other bill would create a soldiers' and sailors' commission of five members and giving it \$250,000 for immediate relief.

James Kerr, of the American Red Cross, said at the conference: "If we do not aid 6,000 soldiers walking the streets of Portland, other forces will. The I. W. W. are giving them beds, clothing and food to make them converts and embitter them against the government."

Salem, Ore., Jan. 16.—2:19 p. m.—The house 10 minutes after convening adopted the resolution for highway work to relieve soldiers. It is believed that work will begin this week. The house also unanimously passed the bill placing \$250,000 in a commission's hands for the relief of soldiers. The rules were suspended. The bill was put through in 34 minutes. The senate will probably act on the measure later in the day, or tomorrow.

Oregon is the first state to propose aid, in a financial way, for the returning soldiers.

LIEBKNECHT CAPTURED BY MOUNTED RIFLEMEN

Berlin, Jan. 16.—It has been learned here that Dr. Karl Liebknecht, the Spartacan leader, has been captured by the officers and men of a division of mounted rifle guards, who arrived in Berlin yesterday.

Munich, Jan. 16.—Spartacans marching on Munich to attempt to overthrow the Bavarian government were dispersed by government troops.

10,000 MORE TO COME HOME

Washington, Jan. 16.—Additional units containing 10,000 men have been assigned for early convoy home.

FRENCH HAVE EYE ON ONE OF "BIG BERTHAS"

Paris, Jan. 16.—The French people want one of the German "Big-Berthas" or supercannon which bombarded Paris to display in the Place de la Concorde as a souvenir of German frightfulness that failed of its purpose to destroy French morale.

The armistice does not stipulate that one of these instruments shall be surrendered but there is a movement to urge the government to demand it. There is no expectation that the Germans will include one of these weapons among the 2,500 guns they are required to give up under the armistice.

DRYS GO OVER TOP WITH FINAL RUSH

Nebraska Is 36th State to Ratify Prohibition Amendment—Effective Year From Date

Chicago, Jan. 16.—The United States today completed legislative process of voting itself dry.

When the word flashed over the wires that the 36th state, Nebraska, had ratified the amendment, prohibition leaders declared that the accomplishment was the greatest piece of moral legislation in the history of the world.

Chicago, Jan. 16.—Missouri and Wyoming have ratified the amendment, which now becomes effective one year after date of final ratification. Meantime the nation will go dry July 1, as a war measure, unless President Wilson rescinds the law before that time.

WOMEN TO GIVE JOBS BACK TO THE SOLDIERS

Albuquerque, N. M., Jan. 16.—Prepared to relinquish their positions when America's soldiers return to claim their proper place in the country's industrial life, the women of New Mexico are sturdily performing the work of men in several lines of endeavor.

POLAND TAKES LITTLE COUNTRY UNDER ARM

London, Jan. 16.—The Polish government provisionally has taken over the administration of Lithuania, to protect that country from the Bolsheviks. This action was taken at the request of the president of the Lithuanian republic.

ARTHUR C. DAVIS, ROBBER, BEGINS TERM IN PRISON

Portland, Jan. 16.—Arthur C. Davis was taken to Salem this morning to begin serving his sentence of from one to 10 years in the state prison. Davis pleaded guilty to robbing the East Side bank of about \$40,000. Presiding Judge Stapleton this morning signed an order turning over to H. H. Newhall, president of the bank money totaling \$7,687 and Liberty bonds and papers aggregating \$34,448.35, which were in Davis' possession at the time of his apprehension.

YANKS IN REGULAR HUNTERS' PARADISE

With the American Forces on Dwina, Dec. 15.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)—Wild turkey, ducks, grouse and big edible Jack rabbits have relieved during the autumn the monotony of bully beef and tinned-stew in the mess halls of the American forces fighting the Bolsheviks on the Dwina. The Yanks are operating in a famous hunting country and most of them spent their hours of leave in chasing game. The few shotguns available were in almost constant use and some of the soldiers developed almost uncanny marksmanship in bringing down ducks with their service rifles.

The marshy country is a duck's paradise, and there are thousands upon thousands of a quail-like bird called the "rabchik." When the winter drives the ducks south there will be bears to hunt in the woods. One of the billets where Americans are located at one river town was originally built as a hunting lodge for the late Emperor Nicholas who, however, was imprisoned before he had a chance to use it. Now, over the huge fireplace in the kitchen, the logs crackle under stowpots filled by the Americans' rifles.

WOULD DEPORT ALL DISLOYAL TO THE NATION

SENATOR DIMICK OFFERS RESOLUTION IN SENATE AND HAS PREPARED LIST OF NAMES

INCLUDES 94 UNDESIRABLES

Strikes at Those Who Cancelled Citizenship Papers Rather Than Go to the Front

State Capitol, Salem, Jan. 16.—Deportation of all alien slackers who cancelled their citizenship papers rather than be inducted into the army under the draft law is to be demanded in a joint resolution being prepared by Senator Walter B. Dimick, of Clackamas county, and which he will introduce in the senate early next week.

Senator Dimick has prepared a complete list of those men of draft age who renounced their intention of becoming American citizens as a means of avoiding the draft, and the resolution which he is preparing will name each individual who displayed these un-American tendencies.

The resolution will ask that the national congress enact immediate legislation for the deportation of slackers, and that they be forever prohibited from returning to the United States.

According to federal statistics, gathered by Senator Dimick, there are 94 such slackers in the state of Oregon. The list shows there were 38 Swedes, 21 Norwegians, 17 Swiss, 10 Spaniards, 3 Danes, 2 Dutch, 2 Bulgarian and 1 Russian.

"Neither Oregon nor the United States has a place for such disloyal persons, and the sooner we rid the country of this class of slackers the better will it be during the critical period of reconstruction," said Senator Dimick today.

RECEIVERS ASKED FOR TWO BIG BUSINESSES

Portland, Jan. 16.—A Chicago bank filed a petition today to foreclose against the Coos Bay Lumber company, for their inability to pay interest on a \$3,000,000 mortgage, due January 1. A receiver has been asked.

Portland, Jan. 16.—A receiver has been asked by eastern bond holders for the Pacific & Eastern Railway, from Medford to Butte Falls.

EDITORS PROPOSE PUNISHMENT FOR HUN LEADERS FOR MURDER AND PIRACY

London, Jan. 1.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)—Editors and publishers of American trade journals who recently visited the former battlefronts in France, sent a letter to President Wilson during his stay in England in which they proposed punishment for the German leaders and their agents for piracy, murder and pillage.

After stating that they had visited the battlefields, ruined cities and obliterated villages of Belgium and France, they added in their letter: "The devastation and ruin wrought are not the work of one man or a group of men. They are the result of a system the policies of which have been executed with thoroughness by a willing people. The evidences of organized pillage and vandalism are on every hand.

"Every law presupposes a penalty for its violation. The laws of na-

PUBLICITY IS THORN IN SIDE OF DELEGATES

INTIMATION MADE THAT MANY WANT TO DO BUSINESS BEHIND CLOSED DOORS

YANK CORRESPONDENTS PROTEST

Some Would Limit Information to the World to Mere Official Statements of Leaders

Paris, Jan. 16.—The supreme council after considering the matter of relations between the conference and the press, decided to call a meeting late today to be attended by members of the press and representatives of the various nations in conference to interchange views on publicity methods.

It was announced yesterday that proceedings of the conference would be kept secret, and information limited to official statements, preventing President Wilson or Lloyd George from discussing affairs with correspondents of the British press. The American correspondents protested.

OREGON WILL HONOR TEDDY

Salem, Ore., Jan. 16.—Flags over the state capitol are to be lowered at half-mast for a period of 30 days in honor of Theodore Roosevelt following the adoption of a motion of Senator Orton. Under the motion, a committee of three will be appointed to wait upon Secretary of State Olcott and ask that this be done. The committee—Senators Orton, Shanks and Handley—was informed that the flags had been at half-mast for three days, the usual observance at the death of public men, but Secretary Olcott said that without further action of the legislature he would lower them for the 30-day period.

GIRLS DISREGARD PERSHING'S ORDERS

Coblenz, Jan. 16.—Twenty German girls at Andernach, near here, have been arrested charged with violating General Pershing's orders prohibiting them to talk with the American soldiers. Approximately the same number have been proven guilty and deported to points within the German lines. The military police will interfere if the officers or soldiers attempt to talk to German women on the streets or in the cafes.

FOCH CINCHES UP A NOTCH ON HUNS

500,000 Frenchmen Will Be Out of Work Until Germany Returns Stolen Machinery

London, Jan. 16.—The new armistice terms to be presented to Germany by Marshal Foch are unofficially stated here to include the following:

First—Retribution upon the Germans for the murder and ill treatment of allied prisoners.

Second—The machinery and goods stolen by Germany from France and Belgium to be at once given up. It is pointed out that France alone has 500,000 men who will be out of work until this machinery is returned.

Third—German gold, amounting to more than £100,000,000 to be moved from Berlin to a safe place, probably Frankfurt, and protected from Bolshevism in Germany en route. Certain other property to be surrendered.

Fourth—Germany to give over her shipping, of which she is believed to have 4,000,000 tons, to carry food supplies to countries in Europe in need of them.

Fifth—Any U-boats on the stocks to be handed to the allies for their disposal, or to be destroyed, and no more submarines should be built.

WAR BOARD RELEASES MANY PRIVATE SHIPS

New York, Jan. 16.—All American ships requisitioned by the shipping board during the war, have been released to their owners, with the exception of those actually engaged in the army service.

RUSSIAN REDS MURDERING AND BURNING IN RIGA

Berlin, Jan. 16.—Riga is now completely in the hands of the Russian red army, according to a Mitau dispatch to the Vossische Zeitung. Bolshevik forces have advanced from Drinsk and occupied the station at Neugut, 31 miles from Mitau.

Mitau is overflowing with refugees. German soldiers, the last persons leaving Riga, report that the city is burning in several places and that the Russians and Letts are murdering and plundering.

ENGLISH MAKING MOST POWERFUL ENGINE

London, Jan. 16.—One of the factories which manufactured two of the airplanes which aided to establish the supremacy of the British aviator over the German in France is now preparing to make a new engine which is expected to develop from 800 to 1,000 horsepower. It is claimed here that the new engine will be the most powerful airplane engine in existence and that it should do much to solve the problem of commercial aviation.

PRESIDENT-ELECT DIES

Rio Janeiro, Jan. 16.—Dr. Rodrigues, president-elect of Brazil, has died. He had been critically ill for some time. There will have to be a new election held.

LAIRD, MURDERER, GIVEN LIFE SENTENCE

Portland, Ore., Jan. 16.—John Cyril Laird, murderer of Frank Twombly, a traffic officer, has been sentenced to life. Laird's mother was hysterical in court, and declared that her son was insane.

STATE BUDGET MAY BE SHAVED OVER MILLION

PREDICTION IS MADE THAT CUTS WILL BRING IT WITHIN 6 PER CENT LIMITATION

AIM OF SOLONS TO RETRENCH

O. A. C. and U. of O. to Receive Little, Above Millage Tax Allowance

Salem, Ore., Jan. 16.—The joint ways and means committees of the two legislative branches, at their first meeting to go through the state budget, made tentative cuts aggregating \$761,382 and gave indications that enough further reductions were in sight to cut the total amount more than one million dollars and bring the total within the six per cent limitation. The first big reduction was the \$680,000 estimate of state aid for the Industrial Accident commission, which will be unnecessary according to the commission's own recommendation and that of Governor Withycombe.

The estimate of \$298,205.12 for the national guard was passed by at the first meeting but it is expected will later be reduced to \$155,000 and cuts of some hundreds of thousands of dollars will be made, it is predicted, from the estimates for the University of Oregon and the Oregon Agricultural college. Some legislators claim it is apparent that little will be done for these institutions and the Oregon normal school, above the millage tax allowance.

Severe criticism of the normal school policy marked the joint meeting. Some members declared the policy is not up to the standard and it was made known that a bill will be introduced in the lower house allowing graduates of the state university and agricultural college to teach in the grade schools so that these institutions may be depended upon to furnish some of the teachers in the state.

Some committee members favored eliminating publication of the Blue Book by Secretary of State Olcott, but others upheld it and there is likelihood that it will be retained. The governor's plan to reduce appropriation for bounties on wild animals, from the \$75,000 estimate to half that amount and to make it correspond to a federal appropriation, changing the method of dealing with predatory animals and eliminating the bounty system, did not meet with full approval. General sentiment seemed to be that the amount should be reduced to \$37,500 with the bounty system retained. It seems likely that all delegations waiting upon the committees will be required to name their spokesmen so that as much conversation as possible can be eliminated at conferences.

200,000,000 RABBITS KILLED EVERY YEAR

El Paso, Tex., Jan. 16.—If all the rabbits killed by hunters were consumed they would furnish between 200,000 and 300,000 tons of food yearly, according to estimates made by the biological survey of the department of agriculture. Their hides would have a value of \$20,000,000. These figures are based on estimates that the number killed yearly is 200,000,000.

The biological survey has been called upon frequently to help western farmers in coping with the rabbit pest. In view of the probable economic value of rabbit meat and fur, their energies, however, may be directed to conserving rabbits as a valuable resource.